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**SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY AND  
REQUEST FOR REFUND OF SURCHARGE FOR LATE FILING**

Applicant respectfully submits herewith a duly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above cited National Phase Patent Application, filed May 9, 2006. The Declaration was inadvertently omitted from the submission of the 371 Request, however as it is submitted on the same day as the National Phase Application, applicant respectfully requests a refund of the \$130.00 surcharge for late filing of Declaration/Oath.

**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500323 AUTHORIZATION** – All required fees are intended to be included with this submission. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees to deposit account #500323.

Respectfully submitted,

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